

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A surface inspecting apparatus for inspecting a shape of an inspected surface of an object to be inspected, the surface inspecting apparatus includes: a mounting base for mounting the object; positioning means for positioning the object to an inspecting position on the mounting base; a memory for storing position specifying information for specifying a two-dimensional position of the object when the object is positioned; inputting means for inputting an outer shape data of the object; and edge position determining means for acquiring an edge position of the object based on the stored position specifying information and the inputted outer shape data.